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REPORT OF THE STATE LIBRARIAN

To the Governing Board of the Department of Finance.

GENTLEMEN: I beg leave to submit herewith my report covering the activities of the California State Library during the seventy-fourth and seventy-fifth fiscal years, ending June 30, 1924.

THE LIBRARY FUND

It may seem more or less stereotyped to begin this report, biennium after biennium, with a consideration of finances. But a library is so dependent upon funds for results that logically there is no other starting point in the story of its achievements. It has no stock in trade by whose turnover new strength may be gained. When its funds are expended for books and for work thereon such funds are converted into a form possible of great intellectual, spiritual and even practical returns to the users of libraries; but so far as the library itself is concerned they no longer have purchasing power. Hence as a library grows in book strength, as it reaches out to a clientele growing in power of use and in numbers, it is essential that resources more or less gradually expand.

In accordance with the above mentioned principles, two years ago we prepared a budget which showed an increase over the then current appropriation of \$72,025. The new state administration which took office in January 1923 came into power under promise to reduce state expenditures. So the library instead of receiving the \$377,925 asked for, or even the \$305,900 appropriated for the preceding biennium, was cut to \$203,210. We hold that it is our duty to set forth as clearly as possible the amount of money the state is justified in expending in library service; and, that having stated our case, it is our province to work with all possible skill to make whatever appropriation may be fixed do the greatest volume of our work. This plan we have cheerfully followed.

In a financial way the State Library suffered reverse once before; in 1911 through confusion in amendments to the Political Code the monthly maintenance fund was reduced from \$5000 to \$3500, despite the fact that the Legislature had passed an amendment which raised the amount to \$7500. The governor saw fit not to sign the latter amendment. In that earlier time it was necessary to reduce expenditures for books and for all other purposes, to discontinue sending out traveling libraries—a move which resulted in benefit, not harm—and to discharge several members of the staff.

On July 1, 1923, similar and even more drastic measures were taken. Twenty-five employees were permitted to go. The process of reduction was a gradual one, reaching its culmination at the beginning of the new fiscal year; hence it was possible to help the outgoing members of the staff to secure employment elsewhere. We are happy to say that in almost every instance satisfactory positions were found.

While funds have been sharply reduced, prices have not come down. In fact books have gradually advanced, supplies of all kinds have either stood still or gone up.

STAFF

Of the 69 members of the staff in employment two years ago only 30 remain. The heads of departments who get fair salaries and have developed a fixed attachment for their employment may be counted upon to stand by. During the past two years, however, one head of department resigned, and the reduction in funds operated to vacate three other major positions.

But when it comes to the secondary line of defense, the mortality has been frightful: scarcely a "here" will be heard when the roll of two years ago is called. When we reach the lower ranks there is a turn over not only once, but even twice or three times. Capable young women come into the library as messengers, typists, and clerical aids. They are fired with the ambition to be librarians, to work with books. They apply themselves, learn accuracy, become dependable employees capable of taking a simple piece of work and carrying it through. In time they would in all probability become satisfactory library workers. But few of them are willing to remain with the library when salary increases are so few and so small. The result is that the library has become a sort of training school for other departments of government and for business houses. Library young women are popular, they go elsewhere to secure pay that we can not give them, and we go on with the treadmill of training others and still others.

It is unfair that the library can not compete with other employers, state or business. The frequent turn over is a great detriment to the service. A five dollar a year increase does not look like progress to youth, which will almost invariably sacrifice the future for immediate gains.

Milton J. Ferguson, Librarian.
Miss Mabel R. Gillis, Assistant Librarian and Head of Books for the Blind Department.
Herbert V. Clayton, Law and Legislative Reference Librarian.
Miss Eudora Garontte, Head of California Department.
Miss Alice J. Haines, Head of Documents Department.
Mrs May Dexter Henshall, County Library Organizer.
Miss Annie Lowry, in charge of Periodicals and Binding.
Wm. H. Lugg, Head of Shipping, Repairs, etc., Department.
Miss Beulah Mumm, Reference Librarian.
Miss Ida G. Munson, Head of Catalog Department.
Miss Myrtle Ruhl, in charge of Order Department.
Miss Beryl Andrews, Assistant.
Miss Helen M. Bruner, Assistant, Sutro Branch, San Francisco.
Miss Alice Chenn, Assistant.
Miss Ella A. Clark, Indexer.
Miss Benneta Colton, Assistant.
Miss Mae Davies, Assistant.
Miss Margaret Dennison, Assistant Sutro Branch, San Francisco.
Mrs Germa R. Dickson, Assistant.
Miss Carmelita Duff, Assistant.

Miss Ruth Ferguson, Temporary Assistant.
Miss Dorothy Geeslin, Assistant.
Miss Angelina Grant, Assistant.
Miss Zilla Grant, Assistant.
Miss Florence Lamb, Bookkeeper.
Mrs Bessie Heath McCrea, Assistant.
Miss Alice Miller, Assistant.
Miss D. Florence Montfort, Assistant.
Miss Mary V. Provines, Assistant.
Miss Dorothy Puffer, Assistant.
Miss Irene E. Ryan, Assistant.
Miss Lily M. Tilden, Assistant.
Miss June Vladyka, Assistant.
Mrs E. D. Waldron, Assistant.
Miss Marguerite Walker, Stenographer.
Miss Caroline Wenzel, Assistant.
Mrs Ina Brosseau, Book Repairer.
Miss Emma F. de Merritt, Book Repairer.
Charles T. Edwards, Assistant Shipping Clerk.
Arden Hall, Assistant Shipping Clerk.
Wm. G. Lyons, Assistant Shipping Clerk.
Addalbert Morris, Messenger.
Vera Palermo, Messenger.
Leona Rasmussen, Messenger.
J. L. Foss, Janitor.
G. A. Klees, Janitor.
Harry A. Simons, Elevator Operator.

The following persons have been on the staff of the Library during the period covered by this report, but are not now in our service:

Shirley Abramson, Messenger.	Anita Knopf, Stenographer, Sntro.
Mrs. Martha Anderson, Temporary Typist.	Marie Lamont, Assistant, Sntro.
Joyce Backus, Assistant.	Rachel Look, Assistant.
Dorothy Beach, Clerical Aid.	Anna McAnear, Dictaphone Operator and Typist.
Lalla Bedford Assistant.	N. Ruth McCullough, Assistant.
Vivian Boyd, Clerical Aid.	Dorothy McGilvray, Messenger.
Ethel Bryte, Assistant.	M. Ruth McLaughlin, Assistant, Sntro.
Rosa F. Butler, Assistant.	Laura Mauhart Peters, Assistant.
J. E. Chorley, Messenger.	Ronald Miller, Messenger.
Anna Creamer, Assistant.	Mrs. Mae Moore, Book Repairer.
James Creason, Messenger.	Catharine J. Morrison, Home Teacher for Blind.
Essie M. Culver, Library Visitor and Instructor.	Bethel Oswalt, Messenger.
Arthur M. Day, Shipping Clerk.	Albert Oughton, Shipping Clerk.
Carol Doane, Temporary Typist.	Wyman Pease, Shipping Clerk.
Abbie Doughty, Assistant.	H. C. Peterson, Collector of California.
Elizabeth Etzel, Dictaphone Operator and Typist.	R. N. Polmere, Janitor.
Roy Fefley, Part-time Messenger.	Jos. H. Quire, Law and Legislative Reference Librarian.
Myrtle G. Fields, Messenger.	Mrs. Frances Haub Raymond, Assistant.
Kate M. Foley, Home Teacher for Blind.	Louise Reynolds, Messenger.
Mrs. Thelma Foss, Book Repairer.	Mrs. Wilma Scott, Book Repairer.
Sidney A. Hall, Messenger.	Blanche L. Shadle, Assistant.
Schuyler C. Hamlin, Temporary Janitor.	Mrs. Laura Steffens Suggett, Branch Librarian.
Edmond Herrera, Messenger.	Grace Taylor, Assistant.
Margaret Hogan, Messenger.	Marie E. Taylor, Assistant.
Fred Joseph, Messenger.	Mrs. Olive M. Treichler, Assistant.
Elenora Kauper, Messenger.	Mrs. Beth McIntire Wood, Assistant.
Margaret Kilgariff, Assistant.	

The following temporary laborers have also been employed:

John Hall.	Walter Stenhouse.
L. R. Shanley.	Bernard Ward.
J. Sheedy.	

STAFF FUND

From time to time the staff has had occasion to use money for staff purposes. The members have always cheerfully contributed; but each time it was necessary for some one to make the collection. Finally in November, 1922, a plan of regular monthly payments of from ten to twenty-five cents each, according to salary, was adopted by the staff; and has since that date been in operation. A supply of dishes and silverware has been purchased for use at staff meetings, picnics and parties, thereby relieving members of the old time burden of borrowing. Flowers are bought from this fund when the staff as a whole desires to express joy or sorrow. Refreshments are provided from the same source for staff meetings. The plan has worked out to the satisfaction of every one.

NEW BUILDING

The new Library and Courts Building has made such progress as to give one some idea of what it will look like when finished. The memorial vestibule promises to be a room of fine proportion and great beauty. It is so placed as to comply with legislative instruction for such a feature and at the same time admits of visiting which will not interfere with other functions of the building. The main reading room, the law reading room and the California room, all on the third floor, will give us the space and the dignity that those departments have always lacked. The public catalog room has certain architectural

qualities which will make it more than merely a place to consult a card catalog. A spacious prints room on the fourth floor will permit of the proper display and use of the prints collection which has been made during the past few years; and of whose qualities the public is as yet unaware.

The courts will have admirable quarters on the fifth, or top floor of the building. Here also space has been found for a picture gallery, and it is hoped that gradually public spirited citizens may take satisfaction in offering, either as a loan or as a gift, works of art, especially of California origin, of which the state may be proud.

One of the outstanding features of this splendid building will be the sculptured pediment, the work of Edward Field Stanford, Jr., setting out in allegorical form something of the history and aspirations of California, the state. Beneath the pediment will be engraved the line, "Into the highlands of the mind let me go," which it is believed is equally applicable to the functions of the courts and the library, the two tenants of the building.

The fact that a sum of money well over \$1,000,000 is needed to complete the two buildings in the group of new state edifices puts into the future the problems of moving and becoming settled in the new quarters. It must be emphasized, however, that present staff and present funds will alike be wholly inadequate to a reasonably efficient operation of the new plant.

MEETINGS AND PUBLICITY

It has continued to be our practice to attend and to take part in library and kindred meetings. We were not represented at the annual conference of the American Library Association at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in 1923, but were able to make the 1924 convention of this organization at Saratoga Springs, New York. The librarian spoke before a general meeting at Saratoga Springs on "What people are reading in California," a paper which later was published in "The Library Journal."

Our funds have not allowed of our having as many members of the staff at meetings as was formerly the custom. We were represented at the 1923 convention of the California Library Association and of the County Librarians in the Yosemite Valley by the librarian, the assistant librarian, and Mrs Henshall and Miss Culver. The same persons, with the exception of Miss Culver, were also present at the 1924 meeting of these organizations at Pasadena.

The library organizer has regularly attended the conferences of the California School Superintendents. We are gratified to be able to record increasing satisfaction on the part of the school people, from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction down, with our library system, and especially with the service given to schools through the county libraries.

In April, 1924, the librarian was called to New York City to take part in a conference on library training. During this biennium he has also been honored by being elected president of the League of Library Commissions to a two-year term which expires December 31, 1924.

We joined with the County Librarians in preparing an exhibit for the San Francisco-Oakland conference of the National Education Association. The exhibit was a good one and held out hope that we would

be able to explain to the educators of the nation what we were trying to do for the schools of California through the agency of the county library system. But the plan of holding meetings on both sides of the Bay lead to so much confusion and consumed so much time that the message was all but lost.

We are constantly called upon to prepare articles of library matters which have appeared in *The Library Journal*, *Sierra Educational News*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, etc., and of course in *News Notes of California Libraries*.

LIBRARY INSTITUTES

The plan announced in the last report of holding library institutes for younger library employees who were unable to secure adequate training has had to be abandoned. Our reduced staff is hard pressed to keep up with the routine of every day's work, and can not undertake such an additional burden, however important it may appear to be.

The library organizer, each year, gives a course of lectures on the county library system before the students taking the library school work in the University of California. Quite clearly, this is the best plan now open to interest young college women in the county library as a field of popular service.

We have discontinued giving correspondence lessons in library subjects, because results did not seem to warrant use of time necessary, and also because persons desiring this type of instruction may get it from an eastern school organized on an ambitious plan.

EMPLOYMENT AGENCY

During the past biennium we have continued to conduct an employment agency. Unfortunately, the results do not seem of greatest importance. Now and then we have been able to effect a placement which has produced excellently. But as heretofore we are handicapped in not, for the most part, having personal acquaintance with candidates for places, and are obliged to depend upon correspondence. Now unfortunately most references are of no value; because, of course, only names of friends are consciously submitted. Many persons would be helped rather than hindered, if, in submitting their names for new positions, they would give two sets of references: friends, and enemies.

Again we would emphasize the fact that there are few higher library positions in California; and naturally there are fewer vacancies in this class. Well trained, even if only slightly experienced, younger librarians may easily find employment; especially if they are willing to start with fair salaries. Those who have ability need not wait long for advancement. It is, however, more or less futile for the unknown out of state assistant to expect to come to the coast at a much higher salary than the home folks are willing to pay him.

During the period covered by this report we have placed forty persons. We find, however, that those whom we assist do not always report positions secured through us: the total, therefore, is probably somewhat higher. One of the most satisfactory connections which resulted through our efforts was the exchange of positions for a period of a year effected between a California county library assistant and an assistant in a large eastern city library. If such exchanges could become more frequent, we feel that good would inevitably result both to libraries east and west, and also to assistants.

BOOKS FOR THE BLIND DEPARTMENT

Several important changes have occurred in the Books for the Blind Department during the past two years. In January, 1924, Miss Helen M. Bruner, who has had such a large part in the work of the department since 1915, was put in charge of our Sutro Branch in San Francisco. The vacancy thus made was filled temporarily by Miss Mary Virginia Provines, who served until April 1, 1924. She was succeeded by Miss Carmelita Duff, for the past four years librarian of the Plumas County Free Library. While Miss Bruner's familiarity with the work and her interest in it are naturally very much missed, we are fortunate to have secured someone of Miss Duff's training and personality to carry on the task of serving our blind citizens, and the work is going forward splendidly.

On account of the decrease in our appropriation, we have discontinued issuing News Notes since April, 1923. This little publication, reprinted each quarter from News Notes of California Libraries, gave statistics regarding the Books for the Blind Department and a list of the books added during the quarter. Since its discontinuance we have been issuing mimeographed lists of accessions now and then, but hope to resume the printed lists later.

On July 1, 1923, home teaching of the blind was discontinued as a State Library activity. Since our staff had to be materially reduced, it did not seem logical to retain this teaching feature of the work. Our former home teachers, Miss Kate M. Foley and Miss Catharine J. Morrison, have continued the work, however, having been taken over by the State Board of Control.

We are having two fine collections of books given us in Revised Braille. The United States Veterans' Bureau is donating sixty-eight titles and the Permanent Blind Relief War Fund with offices in Paris and New York is sending us many books in French and promises many likewise in English. Both of these collections are intended primarily for blinded veterans, but as we have been able to locate only about a half dozen blinded veterans of the world war in the state, the books are very quickly released for use by the civilian blind also.

The U. S. Veterans' Bureau has shown splendid judgment in choosing many popular Western stories, such as Curwood's, Beach's, Zane Grey's, etc., to emboss, as we have very little of this type of book. It has also selected non-fiction books in much demand, as Thomson's Outline of Science, Van Loon's Story of Mankind, and The Letters of Walter H. Page. We feel very grateful to these two organizations for adding so generously to our stock of books for the blind.

Gifts of hand-copied books are continuing, notably those from the still devoted Women Volunteers of Oakland, some individual members of the San Francisco Red Cross, the National Braille Transcribers' Society, and several of our borrowers.

The California Society for the Blind was formed in San Francisco this past year. The head of our Books for the Blind Department is on the Advisory Committee.

Books, etc., added-----	1,988
Books, lost, discarded, etc.-----	80
Total volumes -----	16,336
Borrowers added -----	395
Borrowers lost by death-----	85
Total borrowers -----	2,098
Circulation -----	69,712

Home Teaching Statistics, July 1, 1922 to June 30, 1923

Pupils graduated -----	67
Still carried -----	118
Total number of lessons given-----	2,158
Hours of correspondence and preparing of lessons-----	719
Visits and calls paid-----	166
Visits received -----	132
Clubs, schools, etc., addressed-----	14

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT

Work of the California Department has been very seriously handicapped by the fact that so much of its material has been placed in storage. Several thousand volumes of bound newspapers are thus made inaccessible; and prospective users of files to be found no place else are so eager that they would gladly undertake the task of digging volumes wanted out of the great bulk of material in storage. Such effort would, of course, be futile and cannot, therefore, be permitted.

The work of the department is further retarded by the inadequacy of our filing facilities for manuscripts, broadsides, leaflets, pictures, photographs, etc. With the knowledge that some day the new building would be occupied, we have kept to a minimum expenditure for this sort of equipment which would scarcely be a quality and design suited to new quarters. As the people have learned of our work in this field they have with greater freedom sent us their treasures which naturally we can not refuse to accept: hence our difficulties grow greater.

One of the most interesting pieces of work carried on during the period covered by this report is the exhibit maintained in the rotunda of the Capitol building. Here in eight cases we have selections of prints, manuscripts, ephemera of the state's yesterdays, swords, revolvers and other smaller museum articles. The interest of the public has proven so great that scarcely a moment can be found when visitors are not earnestly studying the cases. When adequate space is available in the new building we feel sure that this interest may easily be maintained and even greatly increased. The exhibit has been of practical benefit in that people are thus informed of our desires and are lead to bring in articles of the kind we want.

Among the notable donations of these two years are the following:

Elizabeth S. Benton. The sermons, diaries, letters, pictures and miscellaneous material relating to her father, Dr. Joseph A. Benton, a pioneer of 1849, the first Congregational minister in Sacramento.

Mrs Annie K. Bidwell estate. Gen. Bidwell's papers, letters, diaries, account books, pictures, relics, books and pamphlets; also a life-sized oil painting of the General.

Margaret Blake-Alverson. Diaries, musical programs, reminiscences, letters, pictures.

Charles H. Hendel. Pictures, field notes, books, pamphlets, miscellaneous documents, maps.

Caroline Sexton. Valuable files of early Butte County papers, pamphlets, pictures, broadsides, books, miscellaneous material, gathered by her father, Judge Warren T. Sexton.

Solon H. Williams. Vigilance committee material, gold scales, large collection of autographs of prominent people, scrap books, pictures, exempt Fireman's badge and certificate, theatre programs.

CATALOG DEPARTMENT

Number of books cataloged	8,737
Number of cards added to files.....	71,735
Cards received and filed in Union Catalog.....	288,319
Continuations and periodicals added.....	4,560

Many maps, pamphlets, cameragraphs, pictures and prints have been cataloged and filed.

DOCUMENTS DEPARTMENT

The department has received, entered and filed 37,148 government publications, and has distributed to libraries 22,336 California state publications. Public Affairs Information Service Bulletin and other lists have been checked regularly and documents material requested.

LAW AND LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

The biennium was ushered in in this department by the receipt, from each of the rival candidates for the Republican nomination for governor, of requests for information regarding the cost of government in this and a selected few of the other states. During the next few months some time was devoted to checking up our legal textbooks with a current law book catalog in order to have available a list of our needs along that line. Following that considerable time was devoted to the revision of some of the material in our legislative reference vertical file. Prior to the 1923 session of our Legislature, during it, and since then, we have compiled bibliographies, citations to the laws of the various states, or short typewritten bulletins on the following subjects: civil service pension laws, capital punishment, pollution of railroad rights of way, standard size of bricks, automobile banditry, the carrying of concealed weapons, veterans' welfare boards, testamentary disposition by wife of her share of community property, advisory opinions, investment of state funds of this state, jury verdicts in criminal cases, injunctions in trade and labor disputes, community property, old age pensions, eradication of contagious and infectious diseases of live stock, indemnities for killing of diseased live stock, and others. We have also prepared: a revision of the list of rules of the various state and federal courts as published in the national reporter system; a list of criminal syndicalism laws, together with a list of the leading decisions and articles relating thereto; a list of the constitutional provisions of the various states relative to the granting or loaning of the credit thereof; a list of current county officers' salary acts; lists of current California city and county charters and citations thereto; and a bar association proceedings want list. We have revised and brought down to date: record of direct legislation in California; initiative and referendum in California; courts of domestic relations; lists of California law libraries; and others.

The usual handbook of information for members of the Legislature was prepared just prior to the convening of the 1923 session. By the time that it was off the press our legislators were with us in full force, and from then until the close of the session our time and efforts were devoted primarily to the answering of their inquiries and the furnishing of information needed by them. We cooperated with the Legislative Counsel Bureau throughout the session, supplying it with copies of bills introduced at prior sessions of our Legislature, reports of various boards and commissions of this and other states, laws of other states, court decisions of this and other states construing statutes, etc. The first part of the session the demand of the legislators was primarily for bills rejected at other sessions, and for laws of other states. After the constitutional recess the demand was for court decisions construing laws hitherto adopted in this and other states, reports of various departments, boards, and commissions of this and other states, and miscellaneous information relating to various propositions before the Legislature. There was little demand at any time for current bills of other state legislatures. During the session we prepared, as the occasion for them arose, citations in slip form to laws of the different states on various subjects, and these we have on file for future reference.

Following the session we sidenoted and indexed the 1923 statutes, and also prepared the copy for the fore part of the book. The 1923 Vehicle Act was sidenoted and indexed for the Motor Vehicles Division. Copy for California Laws Relating to Dependent and Needy Children was prepared, indexed and proof read for the Bureau of Children's Aid of the State Board of Control. Copy for a new edition of California Laws of Interest to Women and Children was revised and brought down to date for reference purposes, and also in order to have it ready for printing whenever funds therefor may be found.

Our sets of bar association proceedings were checked with A. J. Small's recently published Check-List and a number of missing proceedings has since been acquired.

On account of a shortage of shelf space we have been compelled to send a considerable number of books to storage in order to accommodate current receipts. For this and various other reasons we have during that period rearranged most of the books in the department.

We are almost continuously receiving records and briefs filed in our Supreme and Appellate courts. As we receive them we record them on cards by title and number and then file both records and cards so as to have them available for current use. As the cases decided are reported in the official reports the records therefor are bound in permanent volumes. Some time has been devoted to revising our card index of records and briefs. We hope eventually to have all of our records and briefs covered by one alphabetically arranged card index.

Current continuations have been added to the law department card catalog as received. Some time has been devoted to revising the catalog so that the subject headings used therein will as nearly as practicable correspond to those used on the set of guide cards that we have in our catalog—which headings are those approved by the American Association of Law Libraries.

In September, 1922, a law school was opened in Sacramento. One result thereof has been an increased use of our elementary textbooks,

case books, and quiz books. We trust that the students will acquire the habit of making more use of the material in our library than the majority of the attorneys do.

Joseph H. Quire resigned in September, 1922, in order to enter upon a business career. We were fortunately able to secure as his successor Herbert V. Clayton, who has had excellent experience in the Kansas State Library, in the Library War Service, and more recently in the Kern County Free Library.

PERIODICALS DEPARTMENT

The State Library receives 920 magazines, covering all the important subjects of thought and activity, and in French, German, Spanish and Swedish languages as well as English. One hundred and fifty-seven of them are issued in this state. The library also receives 165 newspapers, 79 dailies and 86 weeklies. Our object is to cover the newspaper field in California; therefore, we subscribe for only eight out-of-state papers. Many publishers, especially those in California, are interested in having bound files of their journals in the State Library, and accordingly make us reduced subscription rates, or even send complimentary copies.

Our binding fund is not sufficient to enable us to bind all files when volumes are completed. Many newspapers are, therefore, bundled up, wrapped in heavy paper and stored. Unfortunately, we must continue to use many magazine files in unbound form; and the wear and tear thereon is serious, to say nothing of the inconvenience and the danger of loss entailed.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

41,669 Author requests looked up in all sources.
12,187 Subject requests filled.
875 Letters dictated.
44,954 Request slips stamped and marked.
19,863 Shipments made.
21,849 Receipt post cards typed.
82,565 Books and pictures circulated.

On account of the decrease in staff and the necessity of charging transportation on shipments, circulation figures do not show the advance that might reasonably have been expected under normal conditions. Borrowing libraries were asked not to request material that could possibly be supplied from their own collection, and the efforts of the reference department were concentrated on the more unusual requests which came in in consequence.

SUTRO BRANCH

The Sutro Branch of the State Library was maintained in the Lane Medical Library building at Sacramento and Webster streets until the last week in August, 1923. Our landlord, Stanford University, had asked us to vacate, because the space we occupied had finally become necessary to its own use. After some negotiation the trustees of the San Francisco Public Library very generously offered us the use, rent free, of a full floor in the stacks, together with space in the main reference room, where users of our books might be accommodated. In the reduced condition of our budget such a saving is a material item. Furthermore the location in the new Public Library building on the

Civic Center is infinitely more convenient. The moving was completed by September 1, 1923, almost exactly ten years after the books were taken from the old Montgomery Block; and the transfer was made, as it happened, by the same firm that did the original job.

When the reduction in our fund became effective July 1, 1923, it became necessary, as has already been recorded, to dismiss twenty-five members of the staff. We felt it better to put the Sutro Branch on minimum rations, because our experience had proven that it is least essential, among State Library departments, to the carrying out of our plans for library service. The position of branch librarian was abolished and the position of stenographer was vacated. During the period of readjustment an assistant became confused as to her responsibility to the head of the institution who was thereby placed under the necessity of bringing charges of insubordination against her. After hearing the State Civil Service Commission found her guilty and she was dismissed from the service. The Branch is now operating very smoothly and efficiently with an entirely new staff of two persons.

An even more noteworthy change has been made in the operation of the Sutro Branch. In times past much effort was spent gathering in books and publications, on the theory that some time they might be of value to some one. Several thousands of such gifts and deposits were accumulated, and much work was done in listing, acknowledging and cataloging them. Experience proved that they were of the slightest use and probably would never compensate in any way for the expense incident to the handling of books in a library. Consequently, we have returned to their former owners almost all of these volumes which lacked intrinsic value. And our efforts henceforth will be directed toward a thorough sorting out of the original Sutro books, and toward placing them in condition for their fullest use. Little or no energy is being spent in getting additional books. The Sutro collection will become more important to the extent that the book wealth therein is separated from the rather large mass of material which is in book form but little else. This work will show that as numbers are reduced—on the shelves at least—true value will increase.

COUNTY FREE LIBRARIES

No new county has been added; the number, therefore, remains forty-two. If we cannot point to an increase in operating counties we can take pride in the steady growth of those already organized. In every department of the service there has been progress; book stocks have mounted; better financial support is the general rule; more schools have come in; and branches have been strengthened, many of them by going into their own buildings constructed at county expense.

The time of the library organizer has largely been spent in visits throughout the state, a practice whose value is increasingly demonstrated. Some work has been done in Marin, Del Norte, Placer and Mendocino counties, where the interest of the people will ultimately prevail. It is better that the remaining counties should come in slowly through local effort, assisted upon request by the State Library, rather than that we should by intense campaign methods suddenly make the state a unit. The question is local, and not state. Our experience makes us believe that the slower process is better and more lastingly satisfactory.

The library organizer has given each year the course of instruction in the University of California Library School on the county library system.

During the biennium Kern County has brought about a consolidation along the lines adopted several years ago by Fresno County. The Bakersfield Public Library went out of existence and the county library became the local book distributing agency. We believe the efficiency of this plan has been thoroughly demonstrated. It reduces the overhead expense and makes for simplicity of operation.

LIST OF COUNTIES HAVING COUNTY FREE LIBRARIES

Statistics of July 1, 1924.

County	Librarian	Established	Income 1923-24 ²	Books, etc.	Branches	Total active school dists. in county ³	Active School dists. that have joined
Alameda	Mary Barmby	Sept. 26, 1910	\$46,232 27	103,168	87	50	37
Amador	Frances M. Burket	June 2, 1919	4,837 39	10,679	37	36	21
Butte	Blanche Chalfant	Sept. 3, 1913	17,654 13	57,496	94	66	60
Colusa	Mrs Dorothy C. Worden	June 8, 1915	10,970 52	39,379	48	33	29
Contra Costa	Mrs Alice G. Whitbeck	July 21, 1913	47,840 66	125,391	98	63	54
Fresno	Sarah E. McCardle	Mar. 12, 1910	150,028 33	331,256	239	178	149
Glenn	Faye T. Kneeshaw	April 8, 1914	13,450 58	38,355	67	46	41
Humboldt	Ida M. Reagan	May 12, 1914	24,791 21	73,967	163	111	106
Imperial	Evalyn Boman	Feb. 6, 1912	12,348 24	71,609	79	59	54
Inyo	Anne Margrave	Sept. 15, 1913	8,757 80	24,343	43	32	30
Kern	Mrs Julia G. Babcock	Nov. 16, 1910	102,671 90	217,991	184	108	108
Kings	Julia Steffa	June 4, 1912	33,644 23	94,083	58	40	38
Lassen	Lenala A. Martin	Sept. 7, 1915	12,679 01	33,714	77	43	42
Los Angeles	*Helen E. Vogleson	Sept. 5, 1912	235,899 02	439,939	329	166	129
Madera	Blanche Galloway	May 3, 1910	22,157 07	74,227	68	47	47
Merced	Essae M. Culver	June 6, 1910	40,767 32	95,530	84	69	65
Modoc	Anna L. Williams	July 8, 1915	4,627 88	11,691	29	43	27
Monterey	Anne Hadden	Aug. 6, 1912	19,857 75	70,255	142	100	87
Napa	Estella DeFord	Feb. 9, 1916	11,361 13	17,408	69	51	45
Orange	Margaret Livingston	Dec. 9, 1919	21,971 13	37,873	55	57	29
Plumas	Edith Gantt	Sept. 7, 1915	7,806 27	28,545	69	32	32
Riverside	Chas. F. Woods	Nov. 8, 1911	13,545 00	0	78	78	48
Sacramento	Cornelia D. Provinces	Oct. 1, 1908	37,057 05	47,548	109	83	63
San Benito	Florence J. Wheaton	Feb. 4, 1918	9,335 28	24,088	72	37	39
San Bernardino	Caroline S. Waters	July 14, 1913	30,260 18	83,079	137	81	71
San Diego	Eleanor Hitt	April 5, 1912	32,583 48	88,961	142	117	103
San Joaquin	H. O. Parkinson	Mar. 7, 1910	26,369 47	0	124	94	62
San Luis Obispo	Flo A. Gantz	July 6, 1915	14,502 08	37,251	97	93	79
San Mateo	Edna Holroyd	Sept. 5, 1912	a.11,800 00	a.32,045	63	41	27
Santa Barbara	Mrs Frances B. Linn	Feb. 16, 1910	20,478 00	0	114	70	63
Santa Clara	Stella Huntington	July 20, 1912	29,011 90	86,359	96	86	75
Santa Cruz	Minerva H. Waterman	Oct. 13, 1916	5,882 14	0	91	55	53
Siskiyou	Thelma Brackett	June 7, 1915	20,222 45	57,829	164	94	91
Solano	Clara B. Dills	April 6, 1914	21,723 62	54,526	65	55	50
Stanislaus	Bessie B. Silverthorn	Aug. 14, 1911	40,644 29	71,948	68	68	42
Sutter	Edna J. Hewitt	May 9, 1917	12,690 18	32,431	49	36	34
Tehama	Elizabeth Stevens	Aug. 8, 1916	11,375 39	30,332	74	55	53
Trinity	Mrs Harry A. Adams	Sept. 8, 1916	4,971 76	15,932	60	27	27
Tulare	Gretchen Flower	June 10, 1910	52,341 73	125,039	118	137	69
Tuolumne	*Martha J. Coleman	July 3, 1917	6,830 61	21,334	64	34	31
Ventura	Elizabeth R. Topping	April 9, 1915	23,861 49	58,436	87	60	57
Yolo	Nancy C. Laugenour	July 12, 1910	20,606 59	72,590	77	47	46
42		O 1, '08-D 9, '19	\$1,296,446 53	2,936,627	4,068	2,878	2,413

*Appointed Sept. 26, 1924.

¹Appointed July 21, 1924.

²The income as given does not include balance in fund July 1, 1923.

³Includes elementary and high. Formerly number of "high schools" was given in county superintendents' reports instead of number of high school districts. This year both are given but this table includes number of high school districts only. This accounts for apparent radical decrease in number of active school districts in some counties.

LIBRARY OUTLOOK

The library situation in California is gratifying. The slight suspicion which was felt by some of the public libraries several years ago when the county plan was first outlined has seemingly disappeared. The librarians of the state now understand that all libraries are exactly on the same basis so far as receiving assistance from the State Library is concerned. The people are becoming accustomed to a better quality of library service, they are learning its practical usefulness, and very reasonably are more willing to give it fair support. Within the next decade we believe that the progressiveness of a county, its desirability as a place in which to live, work and rear a family will be seriously questioned if it continues to deny itself this cheapest of all systems of popular education, a library.

APPENDIX A

Statement of Income and Expenditures for the Period July 1, 1922, to June 30, 1924, of the Seventy-fourth and Seventy-fifth Fiscal Years.

	Seventy-fourth fiscal year	Seventy-fifth fiscal year	Total
INCOME.			
Appropriated, Chap. 905, 1921.....	\$152,950 00		\$152,950 00
Appropriated, Chap. 121, 1923.....		\$101,605 00	101,605 00
Departmental:			
Lost and damaged books.....	165 11	35 24	200 35
Sale of cameragraphs.....	339 26	23 76	363 02
Sale of junk.....	18 83	5 52	24 35
Sale of photographs.....	34 25	1 20	35 45
Sale of stacks.....	150 00	517 50	667 50
Sale of typewriters.....	72 00		72 00
Broken glass in show cases.....		3 30	3 30
Totals.....	\$153,729 45	\$102,191 52	\$255,920 97
EXPENDITURES.			
Administrative.....	\$23,583 58	\$18,362 71	\$41,946 29
General.....	74,427 30	48,756 01	123,183 21
Blind.....	9,399 05	4,490 78	13,889 83
Catalog.....	12,076 46	9,189 88	21,266 34
Documents.....	5,445 00	3,944 52	9,389 52
Law and legislative reference.....	11,587 90	8,407 46	19,995 36
Sutro Branch.....	10,192 26	5,988 92	16,181 18
Prior year expenditures.....		154 07	154 07
Totals.....	\$146,711 55	\$99,294 35	\$246,005 90
Excess income over expenditure.....	\$7,017 90	\$2,897 17	\$9,915 07
Balance State Library fund, July 1, 1922.....			6,666 17
Balance State Library fund, June 30, 1924.....			\$16,581 24

APPENDIX B

Statement of Expenditures for the Period July 1, 1922, to June 30, 1923, of the Seventy-fourth Fiscal Year.

Function	Materials and supplies	Salaries and wages	Service and expense	Property and equipment	Total
Administrative:					
State Librarian.....		\$5,000 00	\$414 91		\$5,414 91
Assistant State Librarian (partial).....		2,400 00	122 19		2,522 19
Board of Library Examiners.....			45 10		45 10
Clerical and office.....	\$719 30	4,472 27	121 83	\$2 30	5,315 70
Equipment.....	197 01		290 05	889 56	1,376 62
Exhibits and publicity.....	1 22		16 25	168 00	185 47
Organization.....		2,220 00	561 05		2,781 05
News Notes of California Libraries.....			4,898 80		4,898 80
Photographic.....	68 40		2 25	90 25	160 90
Printing and stationery.....	412 42		470 42		882 84
Totals.....	\$1,398 35	\$14,092 27	\$6,942 85	\$1,150 11	\$23,583 58
General:					
Assistants.....		\$29,595 15	\$445 63		\$30,040 78
Books.....				\$10,913 06	10,913 06
Contributions and subscriptions.....				6,242 13	6,242 13
Maps.....				106 11	106 11
Prints.....				1,506 08	1,506 08
Binding.....				4,089 53	4,089 53
Auto truck.....	\$113 45		176 53		289 98
Freight, cartage and express.....			1,913 97		1,913 97
General repairs.....	22 39				22 39
Janitors.....	211 43	3,600 00	89 50	3 10	3,904 03
Moving.....	35 90	129 50	113 25		278 65
Postage.....			2,464 00		2,464 00
Shipments and book repair.....	1,446 43	10,268 51			11,714 94
Storage.....			445 08		445 08
Telephone and telegraph.....			496 57		496 57
Totals.....	\$1,829 60	\$43,593 16	\$6,144 53	\$22,860 01	\$71,427 30
Blind:					
Assistant State Librarian (partial).....		\$600 00			\$600 00
Assistants.....		6,840 00	\$543 25		7,383 25
Books, etc.....				\$1,199 20	1,199 20
Printing, etc.....			216 60		216 60
Totals.....		\$7,440 00	\$759 85	\$1,199 20	\$9,399 05
Catalog:					
Assistants.....		\$10,944 64			\$10,944 64
Cards and guides.....				\$1,131 82	1,131 82
Totals.....		\$10,944 64		\$1,131 82	\$12,076 46
Documents:					
Assistants.....		\$5,445 00			\$5,445 00
Law and Legislative Reference:					
Assistants.....		\$4,773 63			\$4,773 63
Binding.....				\$2,099 29	2,099 29
Books.....				2,600 01	2,600 01
Contributions and subscriptions.....				2,114 97	2,114 97
Totals.....		\$4,773 63		\$6,814 27	\$11,587 90
Sutro Branch:					
Assistants.....		\$7,192 26			\$7,192 26
Rent.....			\$3,000 00		3,000 00
Totals.....		\$7,192 26	\$3,000 00		\$10,192 26
Grand totals.....	\$3,227 95	\$93,480 96	\$16,847 23	\$33,155 41	\$146,711 55

APPENDIX C

Statement of Expenditures for the Period July 1, 1923, to June 30, 1924, of the Seventy-fifth Fiscal Year.

Function	Materials and supplies	Salaries and wages	Service and expense	Property and equipment	Total	Grand total 74th and 75th fiscal years
Administrative:						
State Librarian		\$5,000 00	\$928 62		\$5,928 62	\$11,343 53
Assistant State Librarian (partial)		2,400 00	179 55		2,579 55	5,101 74
Board of Library Examiners			117 02		117 02	162 12
Clerical and office	\$314 90	3,432 25	127 37		3,874 52	9,190 22
Equipment	73 40		248 50	\$92 53	414 43	1,791 05
Exhibits and publicity						185 47
Organization		1,939 52	267 30		2,206 82	4,987 87
News Notes of California Libraries			2,870 75		2,870 75	7,769 55
Photographic						160 90
Printing and stationery	371 00				371 00	1,253 84
Total	\$759 30	\$12,771 77	\$4,739 11	\$92 53	\$18,362 71	\$41,946 29
General:						
Assistants		\$20,754 85	\$12 30		\$20,767 15	\$50,807 93
Books				\$6,804 54	6,804 54	17,717 60
Contributions and subscriptions				5,448 32	5,448 32	11,690 45
Maps				55 42	55 42	161 53
Prints				699 30	699 30	2,205 38
Binding				2,141 84	2,141 84	6,231 37
Auto truck	\$99 93		108 12		208 05	498 03
Freight, cartage and express			325 51		325 51	2,239 48
General repair	18 59				18 59	40 98
Janitors	144 80	2,418 00	70 00		2,632 80	6,536 83
Moving						278 65
Postage			818 81		818 81	3,282 81
Shipment and book repair	1,002 51	7,043 19			8,045 70	19,760 64
Storage			516 05		516 05	961 13
Telephone and telegraph			273 93		273 93	770 50
Totals	\$1,265 83	\$30,216 04	\$2,124 72	\$15,149 42	\$48,756 01	\$123,183 31
Blind:						
Assistant State Librarian (partial)		\$600 00			\$600 00	\$1,200 00
Assistants		2,987 59			2,987 59	10,370 84
Books, etc.				\$903 19	903 19	2,102 39
Printing						216 60
Totals		\$3,587 59		\$903 19	\$4,490 78	\$13,889 83
Catalog:						
Assistants		\$8,501 46			\$8,501 46	\$19,446 10
Cards and guides				\$688 42	688 42	1,820 24
Totals		\$8,501 46		\$688 42	\$9,189 88	\$21,266 34
Documents:						
Assistants		\$3,944 52			\$3,944 52	\$9,389 52
Law and Legislative Reference:						
Assistants		\$3,900 00			\$3,900 00	\$8,673 63
Binding				\$538 06	538 06	2,637 35
Books				1,626 20	1,626 20	4,226 21
Contributions and subscriptions				2,343 20	2,343 20	4,458 17
Totals		\$3,900 00		\$4,507 46	\$8,407 46	\$19,995 36
Sutro Branch:						
Assistants		\$3,187 04	\$263 88		\$3,450 92	\$10,643 18
Rent			500 00		500 00	3,500 00
Moving			2,038 00		2,038 00	2,038 00
Totals		\$3,187 04	\$2,801 88		\$5,988 92	\$16,181 18
Prior Year Expenditures:						
General—books				\$56 41	\$56 41	\$56 41
Freight, cartage and express			\$1 75		1 75	1 75
Moving			8 11		8 11	8 11
Binding				73 00	73 00	73 00
Shipments and book repair	\$14 80				14 80	14 80
Totals	\$14 80		\$9 86	\$129 41	\$154 07	\$154 07
Grand totals	\$2,039 93	\$66,108 42	\$9,675 57	\$21,470 43	\$99,294 35	\$246,005 90

APPENDIX D

Number of Volumes in the Library June 30, 1924.

	Number at last report, June 30, 1922	Pur- chase	Gift	Binding	Ex- change	Lost and dis- carded	Camera- graphed	Total	Grand total
Main Library, including Law and California.....	234,510	8,882	*1,538	2,685	†964	273	-----	14,069	248,306
Books for the blind.....	14,428	1,061	927	-----	-----	80	-----	1,908	16,336
Sutro collection.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Grand totals.....	248,938	9,943	2,465	2,685	964	353	-----	15,977	261,642
Prints.....	-----	590	19	-----	-----	-----	-----	609	-----
Maps.....	-----	13	5	-----	-----	-----	1	19	-----

*Includes United States Government publications.

†Includes state publications.

Sutro collection not included as Sutro Branch is being entirely reorganized and we are unable to give any figures.

APPENDIX E

BOARD OF LIBRARY EXAMINERS

MILTON J. FERGUSON, State Librarian, *Chairman*.

ROBERT REA, Librarian, San Francisco Public Library, *Secretary*.

EVERETT R. PERRY, Librarian, Los Angeles Public Library.

Sections 6 and 7 of the county free library law (Chap. 68, Cal. Statutes, 1911) reads as follows:

Sec. 6. A commission is hereby created, to be known as the board of library examiners, consisting of the state librarian, who shall be *ex officio* chairman of said board, the librarian of the public library of the city and county of San Francisco, and the librarian of the Los Angeles public library.

Sec. 7. Upon the establishment of a county free library, the board of supervisors shall appoint a county librarian, who shall hold office for the term of four years, subject to prior removal for cause, after a hearing, by said board. No person shall be eligible to the office of county librarian unless, prior to his appointment, he has received from the board of library examiners a certificate of qualification for the office. At the time of his appointment, the county librarian need not be a resident of the county nor a citizen of the state of California.

EXAMINATIONS

Two examinations have been held (July 1, 1922—June 30, 1924): 1. Sacramento, June 29, 1923; 2. Los Angeles, April 26, 1924, and Sacramento, June 5-6, 1924.

Twenty-eight candidates took the examinations and sixteen passed.

The Board has issued 253 certificates in all.

CERTIFICATE HOLDERS

NOTE.—First-grade certificates are valid for use throughout the state; second grade, in counties of the twenty-first to the fifty-eighth (except twenty-fifth, thirty-third, thirty-fifth and forty-second) classes, inclusive; third-grade in counties of the forty-ninth to the fifty-eighth classes, inclusive.

The new certificate, issued for the first time, December 22, 1920, is valid for use throughout the state.

First Grade.

Babcock, Mrs Julia G., Ln. Kern County Free Library, Bakersfield.
Culver, Essae M., Ln. Merced County Free Library, Merced.
Flower, Gretchen L., Ln. Tulare County Free Library, Visalia.
Hatch, Margaret, Ln. Standard Oil Co. Library, San Francisco.
Holroyd, Edna S., Ln. San Mateo County Free Library, Redwood City.
Morse, Marion, Ln. Maui County Free Library, Wailuku, T. H.

New Certificates.

Adams, Mrs Lila (Dobell), Ln. Trinity County Free Library, Weaverville.
Anderson, Mrs Rachel (Rhoads), Asst. Public Library, San Diego.
Bailey, Anne Bell, Asst. Fresno County Free Library, Fresno.
Barmby, Mary, Ln. Alameda County Free Library, Oakland.
Beardsley, Mrs Arline Davis, Asst. Orange County Free Library, Santa Ana.
Beeman, Mrs Anne (Madison), Mrs Thomas Beeman, Ln. Sawtelle High School Library, Sawtelle.
Boman, Evalyn, Ln. Imperial County Free Library, El Centro.
Brackett, Thelma, Ln. Siskiyou County Free Library, Yreka.
Brewitt, Mrs Theodora R., Ln. Public Library, Long Beach.
Burket, Frances M., Ln. Amador County Free Library, Jackson.
Chalfant, Blanche, Ln. Butte County Free Library, Oroville.
Chatfield, Marguerite, Asst. Sacramento County Free Library, Sacramento.
Chilberg, Marjorie J., Asst. Solano County Free Library, Fairfield.
Coleman, Martha June, Asst. Glenn County Free Library, Willows.
Coulter, Mabel, Asst. Contra Costa County Free Library, Martinez.
De Ford, Estella, Ln. Napa County Free Library, Napa.
Dills, Clara B., Ln. Solano County Free Library, Fairfield.
English, Gladys, Ln. Tuolumne County Free Library, Sonora.
Ferguson, K. Dorothy, Ln. Bank of Italy Library, San Francisco.
Ferguson, Milton J., Ln. State Library, Sacramento.
Frazier, Hubert B., Asst. Public Library, Los Angeles.
Frink, Ellen B., Asst. Monterey County Free Library, Salinas.

Fuller, Mrs Melissa, Asst. Fresno County Free Library, Fresno.
Galloway, Blanche, Ln. Madera County Free Library, Madera.
Gantt, Edith, Ln. Plumas County Free Library, Quincy.
Gibson, Hazel G., Asst. Sacramento County Free Library, Sacramento.
Greene, Charles S., Ln. Free Library, Oakland.
Hadden, Anne, Ln. Monterey County Free Library, Salinas.
Haines, Alice J., Head Documents Dept., State Library, Sacramento.
Harris, Mary W., Asst. Fresno County Free Library, Fresno.
Hewitt, Edna J., Ln. Sutter County Free Library, Yuba City.
Hitt, Eleanor, Ln. San Diego County Free Library, San Diego.
Huntington, Stella, Ln. Santa Clara County Free Library, San Jose.
Kitching, Mrs Ethelene M., Ln. Fullerton High School Library, Fullerton.
Kneeshaw, Faye T., Ln. Glenn County Free Library, Willows.
Kobler, Marjorie H., Asst. San Diego County Free Library, San Diego.
Laugenour, Nancy C., Ln. Yolo County Free Library, Woodland.
Linn, Mrs Frances Burns, Ln. Santa Barbara Free Public Library and Santa Barbara County Free Library, Santa Barbara.
Livingston, Margaret E., Ln. Orange County Free Library, Santa Ana.
McCardle, Sarah E., Ln. Fresno County Free Library, Fresno.
Margrave, Anne, Ln. Inyo County Free Library, Independence.
Martin, Lenala A., Ln. Lassen County Free Library, Susanville.
Meredith, Roberta, Asst. Fresno County Free Library, Fresno.
Middleton, Maude, Asst. Kings County Free Library, Hanford.
Miller, Mabel V., Asst. Los Angeles County Free Library, Los Angeles.
Mumm, Beulah, Reference Ln. State Library, Sacramento.
Packer, Ella, Asst. Colusa County Free Library, Colusa.
Parkinson, H. O., Ln. Stockton Public Library and San Joaquin County Free Library.
Perry, Everett R., Ln. Public Library, Los Angeles.
Provines, Cornelia D., Ln. Sacramento County Free Library, Sacramento.
Rea, Robert, Ln. Public Library, San Francisco.
Reagan, Ida M., Ln. Humboldt County Free Library, Eureka.
Silverthorn, Bessie B., Ln. McHenry Public Library and Stanislaus County Free Library, Modesto.
Smith, Margaret W., Asst. Santa Clara County Free Library, San Jose.
Smith, Susan T., Ln. City Library, Sacramento.
Steffa, Julia, Ln. Hanford Public Library and Kings County Free Library, Hanford.
Stevens, Elizabeth, Ln. Tehama County Free Library, Red Bluff.

Stoddard, Minette L., Asst. Merced County Free Library, Merced.
 Thomas, Mabel W., Asst. Ln. Free Library, Oakland.
 Topping, Elizabeth R., Ln. Ventura County Free Library, Ventura.
 Vogleson, Helen E., Asst. Ln. Los Angeles County Free Library, Los Angeles.
 Warren, Althea H., Ln. Public Library, San Diego.
 Waterman, Minerva H., Ln. Santa Cruz Public Library and Santa Cruz County Free Library, Santa Cruz.
 Waters, Caroline S., Ln. San Bernardino County Free Library, San Bernardino.
 Whitbeck, Mrs Alice G., Ln. Contra Costa County Free Library, Martinez.
 Worden, Mrs Dorothy (Clarke), Mrs Charles J. Worden, Ln. Colusa County Free Library, Colusa.
 Wright, Muriel, Asst. Kern County Free Library, Bakersfield.
 Yates, Mrs Bess (Ranton), Mrs John D. Yates, Asst. Orange County Free Library, Santa Ana.

Second Grade.

De Witt, Mrs Isabelle (Park), Asst. Merced County Free Library, Merced.
 Duff, Marcella Carmelita, Asst. State Library, Sacramento.
 Encking, Louise F., Asst. Public Library, Seattle, Wash.
 Faulkner, Mrs Mabel F., Ln. Orange Public Library, Orange.

Gantz, Flo A., Ln. San Luis Obispo County Free Library, San Luis Obispo.
 Schaer, Mildred E., Asst. Public Library, Los Angeles.
 Wheaton, Florence J., Ln. San Benito County Free Library, Hollister.
 Whitbeck, Josephine L., Asst. City Library, Sacramento.

Third Grade.

Williams, Anna L., Ln. Modoc County Free Library, Alturas.

At Present Out of Library Work.

Alexander, Mrs Lela (Clapperton) (New certificate).
 Dambacher, Mrs Helen (Rowland), Mrs Gustav Dambacher (2d grade).
 Ferris, Katharine Post (New certificate).
 Gleason, Celia (New certificate).
 Gregory, Marion L. (New certificate).
 Herrman, Mrs Jennie (Herrman), Mrs James White Herrman (New certificate).
 Jamieson, Mrs Dorothy (Henderson), Mrs Natt F. Jamieson (2d grade).
 Kyle, Eleanore (New certificate).
 Lewis, Mrs Anna Jean (Thomson), Mrs R. B. Lewis (New certificate).
 McDonald, Mrs Ora Regnart, Mrs Charles E. McDonald (New certificate).
 Work, Mrs Geraldine (Graham), Mrs George A. Work (2d grade).



